

In the Drawings

Figure 12. Please replace reference number "413" with -414-.

Remarks

Thank you for your work in connection with this application.

In a telephone conversation of November 18, 2004, Examiner Toan N. Pham informed counsel for Applicants, John E. Munger that a supplemental Notice of Allowance and Fees Due would be issued in connection with all 37 claims of the application. The Notice of Allowance and Fees Due mailed on August 25, 2004 erroneously referred only to claims 1-19 when, in fact, claims 1-37 were pending. Examiner Pham advised Mr. Munger that an additional fee of \$153 would be due in view of the allowance of all 37 claims. Mr. Pham said that the due date for payment of the fees would be rescheduled but that we could proceed to pay the fee by November 26, 2004 if we desired to do so. We thank the Examiner for correcting this matter.

The amendments are non-substantive and correct minor errors only. Text deletions are indicated by strike out marks and text insertions are underlined. No new matter is added.

In the related applications section, reference to the parent patent is removed because the parent application remains pending. If there is a preferred statement to be used in the situation where the parent application remains pending then Applicants would be willing to adopt such preferred language.

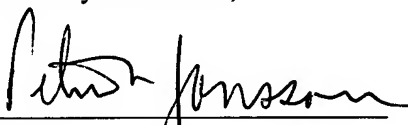
A numbering error is corrected in Figure 12 as noted. An annotated drawing sheet showing the change in red ink accompanies this paper. A letter to the Official Draftsperson (copy enclosed) is being sent.

In the claims, claim 14 is amended to delete an extra occurrence of the word "and" and claim 28 is amended to correct an antecedent issue.

Conclusion

Entry of the Amendments is requested in view of the foregoing. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned if that would be of assistance in resolving any outstanding issue regarding this application. The Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit deposit account 10-0270 for the full amount of any fee which may be due or overpayment which might be made. Kindly notify the undersigned in the event that the deposit account is debited or credited.

Respectfully submitted,

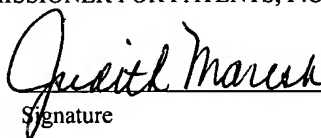
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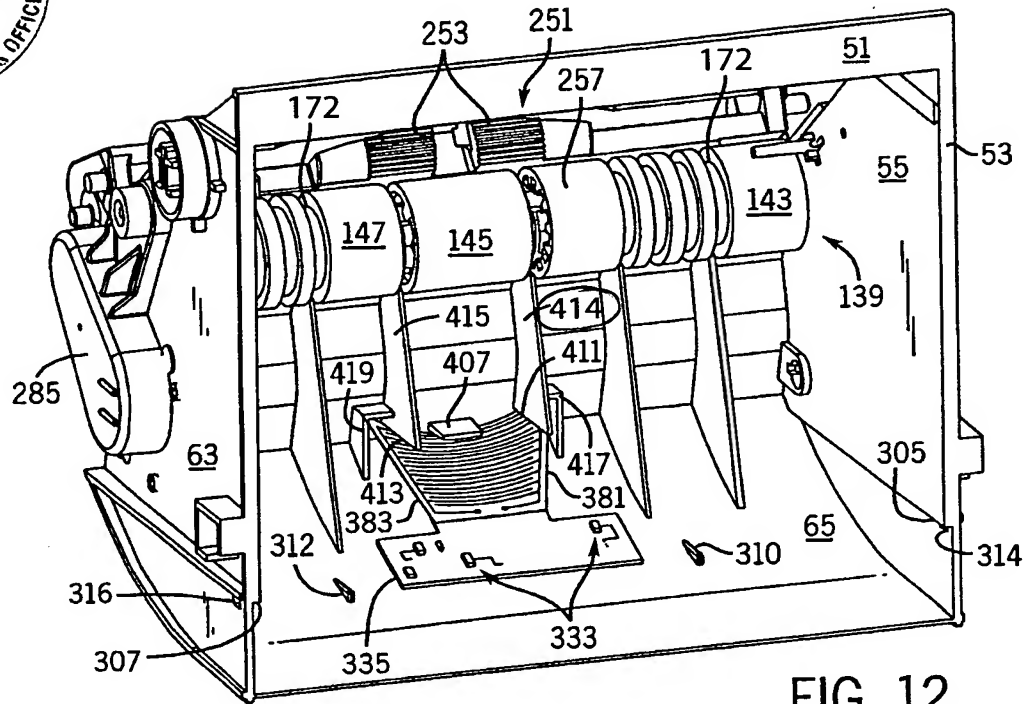


FIG. 12

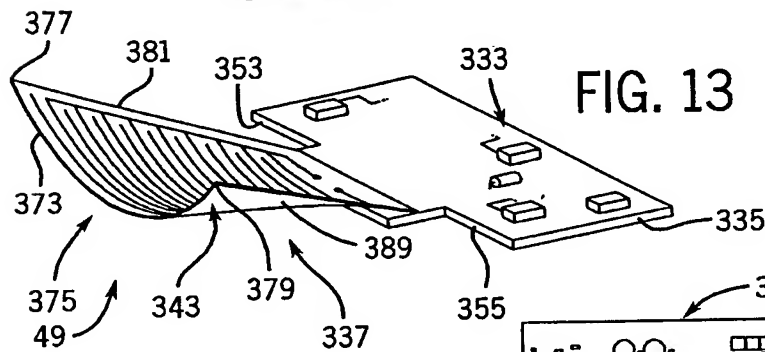


FIG. 13

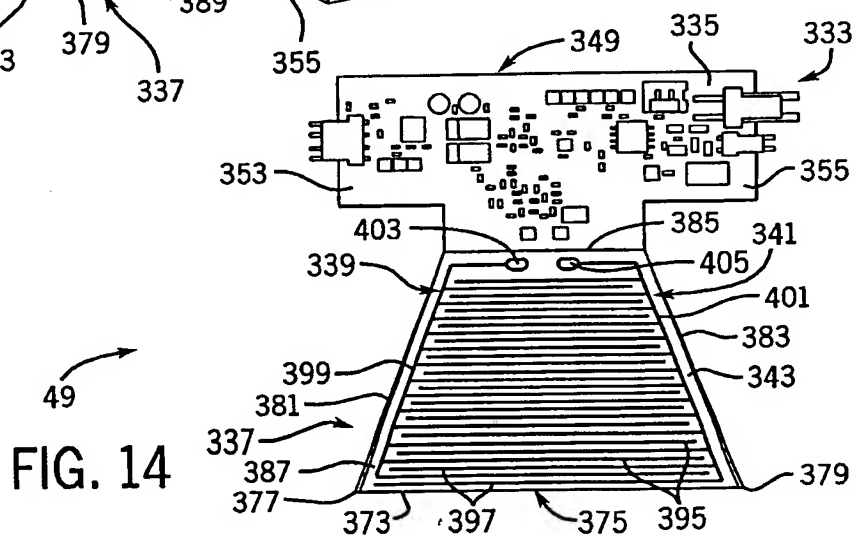


FIG. 14